

# Gilgandra Public School

Safe, Respectful, Learners



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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to Gilgandra Public School, 2024! Our class this year is called MC Hammerheads, and we will continue to be supported by our Student Learning Support Officer, Mr Eric Priddis. This year Miss Caitlin Zell will also be teaching the class fortnightly on alternate Fridays while Miss Hoskins takes study leave.

Throughout the year your child will participate in the following weekly lessons:

**Science** with Mrs Bunter on Tuesdays.

**Cultural Studies** with Mrs Goodwin on Wednesdays.

**Library & Technology** with Mrs Bunter on Thursdays.

**Sport** on Fridays (including swimming in Term 1 for our Primary students).

In addition to the core curriculum your child will participate in a range of learning activities to assist them in developing key life skills and social/emotional literacy. These include;

- gardening
- cooking
- community outings
- explicit teaching of emotional regulation, social and organisational skills
- regular visits to the community garden
- participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

## What will my child need to bring?

The school supplies all the classroom equipment that your child will need to participate in all learning activities, however, if you would like to send in a paint smock to keep at school during art activities please do so.

Please ensure your child has a packed lunch or lunch order each day along with some fruit/ vegetables for our Crunch and Sip program in the mornings. A water bottle filled with water and a hat are essential. It is a good idea to mark your child's belongings with their name to keep them safe.

## Communication

Communication is the key to having a positive relationship with families and fostering student learning and achievement. We will meet each term to review and develop specific learning goals for your child as part of the Individual Learning Support Plan (ILSP) process. If you have any questions and concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office.

We are delighted to have your child in our class and look forward to a great year filled with positivity, fun learning, and growth.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Melinda Hoskins

